

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES TO THE SECRETARY

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM SECRETARY  
VANCE TO FOREIGN MINISTER KHALATBARY:

QUOTE: DEAR MR. MINISTER: I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY  
APPRECIATION FOR YOUR WARM MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES AS I  
TAKE OFFICE AS SECRETARY OF STATE.

IN THIS AGE OF GLOBAL INTERDEPENDENCE, I LOOK FORWARD TO  
THE KIND OF CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP AND MUTUAL DIALOGUE  
THAT WILL PERMIT US TO APPROACH WORLD PROBLEMS WITH THE  
MAXIMUM UNDERSTANDING. YOUR FRIENDSHIP WILL CONTRIBUTE  
GREATLY TO CONTINUED GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES.  
SINCERELY, CYRUS VANCE. UNQUOTE

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2. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM KHALATBARY TO THE  
SECRETARY:

QUOTE: IT IS A SOURCE OF A VERY GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO  
EXTEND MY SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS TO YOUR EXCELLENCY ON  
THE OCCASION OF YOUR APPOINTMENT AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

I EARNESTLY HOPE THAT THE CLOSE RELATIONS SO HAPPILY  
EXISTING BETWEEN IRAN AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
WILL BE YET FURTHER STRENGTHENED IN THE COMING YEARS IN  
THE TRADITIONAL SPIRIT OF FRUITFUL COOPERATION AND UNDER-  
STANDING BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. I LOOK FORWARD WITH  
MUCH PLEASURE TO OUR FUTURE ASSOCIATION AND MUTUAL  
ENDEAVOURS FOR THE ATTAINMENT OF THE COMMON GOALS AND  
ASPIRATIONS OF OUR TWO PEOPLES. I WOULD LIKE TO SEIZE  
THIS OCCASION TO EXPRESS MY BEST WISHES FOR YOUR  
CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS AS WELL AS SUCCESS  
IN THE DISCHARGE OF THE GREAT RESPONSIBILITIES OF YOUR  
HIGH OFFICE. SINCERELY, ABBAS ALI KHALATBARY, MINISTER  
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF IRAN. UNQUOTE.  
VANCE

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